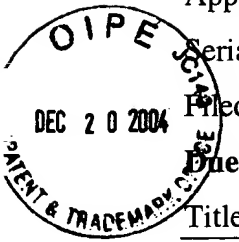


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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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Dear Madam:

This Amendment and Response is in reply to the Office Action mailed August 25, 2004.  
Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

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